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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 19, 1999 in the above-identified application. Exhibits V, W, X, Y and Z accompany this Reply.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed concurrently together with the appropriate fee.

Please amend the application as follows.